

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the status of the claims as indicated below:

Claims 1-12 (canceled)

13. (new) A software questionnaire module for online use, comprising:
means for electronically distributing a questionnaire;
means for monitoring deadlines for responding to said questionnaire;
means for effecting reminders of said deadlines for responding to said questionnaire; and
means for distributing results of said questionnaire to select users of said software questionnaire module.
14. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising at least one menu accessible to users required to answer said questionnaire.
15. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 14, wherein said at least one menu is accessible to authors of said questionnaire.
16. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 14, wherein said at least one menu includes means for selecting a plurality of questionnaires to which said users are entitled to access.
17. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for allowing a respondent of said questionnaire to access said questionnaire and respond to said questionnaire on a display screen.

18. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for permitting an author of said questionnaire to either respond to said questionnaire, edit said questionnaire or view responses to said questionnaire.

19. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for permitting respondents to access said questionnaire only with authorization to do so and means for permitting an author of said questionnaire to also access all said questionnaires said author has written.

20. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for permitting an author of said questionnaire to define a title, a description and a due date for said questionnaire.

21. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 20, further comprising means for permitting said author of said questionnaire to list questions.

22. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 20, further comprising means for permitting said author of said questionnaire to specify which persons are to respond to said questionnaire.

23. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for automatically notifying said select users when said questionnaire is complete, means for informing when said questionnaire is available for viewing and means for informing when said questionnaire is approaching its due date.

24. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising a summary for said questionnaire.

25. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for permitting an author to run customized reports based upon a group of users.

26. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for generating an audit trail for said questionnaire.

27. (new) The software questionnaire module for online use according to Claim 13, further comprising means for permitting an author of said questionnaire to provide any respondent to said questionnaire with an e-mail notification advising said any respondent that said author is dissatisfied with answers provided to said questionnaire and that said any respondent should again answer said questionnaire